

**MINUTES of the MEETING of the ST BLAISE TOWN COUNCIL
Held at the ALEXANDER HALL, St Blazey, on Thursday 24th June 2010**

Present

Councillor J Anderson – Chairperson

Councillors:

M Gill, D Goddard, R Heyward, D Hooper, G Miller & D Scrafton

In attendance: Town Clerk
Cornwall Councillor Roy Taylor
Jess Pytel
Ruth Ormella
PC Toms

1006/01 **TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies had been received from Cornwall Councillor Hughes, Councillors Seel, Putt and Allen.

1006/02 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of 27th May 2010 were confirmed as being correct and later signed by the Chairperson.

1006/03 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Hooper expressed an interest in agenda item 1006/08. There were no other declarations of interest on items on the Agenda or of gifts of a value greater than £25.

1006/04 **MATTERS ARISING**

Minute 1003/11 Letters have been received from Cornwall Councils Cabinet Office Manager and the Directors Office regarding our complaint that replies had not been received from Chairman of the Central Sub-Area Planning Committee or the Chief Executive regarding our views not being recognised if we do not attend the planning committee in person.

Minute 1004/10 Councillors Seel, Putt and the Clerk have applied the static cling window covering at the Burrows Centre.

Minute 1005/10 Fourways Youth Centre has written thanking the Council for the donation towards the summer activity programme.

Minute 1005/15 The Clerk and Chairman attended the planning forum at County Hall on Saturday 18th June where several councils expressed their discontent that the Head of Service and Divisional Member will exercise their discretion on whether or not a planning application goes to the planning committee. They were assured that this would only happen in extreme circumstances and three forms of criteria would be in place, these will be distributed to all Councils.

1006/05 **POLICE CRIME FIGURES**

May 2010

	Committed	Detected		Committed	Detected
Assault	5	2	Burglary Dwelling		0
Burglary Other	1	0	Theft of M/V		0
Vehicle Crime	2	1	Theft	2	1
Damage	4	0	Drugs		0
Other	3	3			
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Total	17	7			

The Chair brought forward the agenda item to discuss the Britannia Roundabout so that the police representative could leave the meeting.

1006/06 **BRITANNIA ROUNDABOUT**

The Chair expressed her concerns over the changes to the Britannia roundabout where traffic from the St Blazey side, on the A390, can use both lanes when continuing towards St Austell. On the other side of the roundabout the traffic from Par Moor Lane merges with the A390 traffic and it is unclear when to merge. This problem is exacerbated by heavy goods vehicles. PC Toms confirmed that accidents have happened since the road format was put in.

It was RESOLVED that a letter would be written to Highways with these concerns.

1006/07 **A PRESENTATION BY CORNWALL COUNCIL REGENERATION TEAM**

Jess Pytal and Ruth Ormella from Cornwall Councils Strategic Development Team attended the meeting to gauge the Town Councils views on what they would like see at Par Docks when EcoBos start the development.

The Council made it clear that the residents of St Blaise felt it important that they should have access to the waterfront, this to include boat launching facilities and places to fish. Councillor Hooper was given as a contact for the Boat Club and Councillor Goddard for the Mount. The Chair reported that Imerys have always assured the Town Council that permit costs to the waterfront would remain affordable to the residents of St Blaise.

The Council were asked their opinion for the need for footpaths and cycle paths, the Council will give this some thought.

The Council were asked about the public transport in St Blazey generally and what access they would like to see to the site. It was clear from the Town Plan questionnaire most people in St Blazey are satisfied with the services in place but improvements could be made. Jess Pytel and Ruth Ormella told the Council that subsidised services had been stopped but they were in a position to influence extensions to current services and the eco system bus service. The Council said that they would like to see a bus that would link shops, homes, the doctors' surgeries and other services.

Ruth Ormella had noticed that St Blazey was a cluster rather than a town with a centre and asked if there was anywhere else apart from the shops around Somerfield and Harbour Road with a lot of activity. Station Road/Fore Street were high-lighted as the bank, post office, fast food providers, the football club and other businesses are based there. She emphasized that Cornwall Council were aware that any new businesses would not be detrimental to those already established.

Ruth and Jess were emphatic that the site would see 40% affordable housing but the economic viability was an issue. Affordable means less than open market value. The Council said that they would like to see a mix of housing e.g. socially rented, shared equity or low cost market housing.

Jess and Ruth said that they would like to keep abreast of the Councils opinions and requests and will therefore attend the meeting on the 26th August 2010.

1006/08 **A REPORT FROM CORNWALL COUNCILLOR ROY TAYLOR**

Councillor Taylor attended the Fourways AGM and was again elected Chairman.

Councillor Taylor has had a second meeting with Teresa Frost to discuss the footpath outside Latham Park and noticed that there is a lamp post on the area which has been in place 18 years, there is no way leave on the land and is therefore investigating the position. Martin Eddy and Councillor Taylor are trying to set up a meeting with the owners of the land.

Councillor Taylor and Councillor Hughes have both been involved with the Eco-Town applications and have received questions from people outside the area who are still not aware of its purpose or effect.

Councillor Taylor had attended and enjoyed the open day at the Polgrean Community Area and had also attended the 999 day at Eden.

The funding of the Daphne Du Maurier Festival is in question; Councillor Taylor continues to support the event.

Councillor Taylor has visited Flashpoint which is an exciting interactive learning centre based in Bodmin, it gives primary school children an awareness of potentially dangerous and hazardous situations in complete safety. Councillor Taylor said it was a visit worth taking.

Councillor Taylor has been approached by a disabled resident about the possibility of a parking space in Piggy Alley but did not see that it would be possible.

1006/08 **ST BLAZEY FOOTBALL CLUB NETS**

Councillor Hooper reiterated his interest and stayed out of discussions.

The Clerk has received a letter from St Blazey Football Club asking for a donation of £250 towards the cost of replacing their goal nets to a standard expected of senior clubs. Councillor Heyward proposed that the donation be given, Councillor Scrafton seconded, the Council all agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1006/10 **OVERVIEW OF TOWN PLAN**

Councillor Scrafton had presented the latest draft of the Town Plan to the steering group on Monday 21st June 2010 when he said that he would make changes to the action plan in respect of employment and training, community safety and housing. The Steering group agreed that with minimal change the document was ready for print with the addition of contents list and map with the adoption of St Blaise Town Council. This will be added to Julys Agenda. If the Council do not adopt the document this will be removed before going to print. Councillor Scrafton will send the document to Eden to get laid up and they will arrange quotes from St Austell Print, Nationwide and Cornwall Council.

1006/11 **CARLYON BAY**

Councillor Anderson told the Council that from 25th July there would be no charge for parking at Carlyon Bay for access to Shorthorn & Polgaver beaches and the main sewer was already in place. There is to be no building on Polgaver Beach and plans were shown to the Council that include two tennis courts, nature trails, a children's ropeway and a picnic area, this will leave plenty of beach area. Councillor Anderson has been told that there are plans to have some sort of staircase to the beach from the coastal path. The developers are keen to have the Councils input and the Council like the current drawings.

The plans to be submitted will be full planning for the sea wall and outline for the remainder.

1006/12 **PIGGY ALLEY**

The Clerk told the Council that there was no formal agreement in place for Piggy Alley, an informal agreement was put in place that the Town Council would maintain the area. At The CALC General Meeting held on Tuesday 6th June which the Clerk attended, she was informed that now was the time to put in a bid for adoption of land.

The Council have three options 1) ask CC if the land can be adopted 2) cancel the agreement and pass the maintenance back to CC 3) put a formal lease in place. The general opinion of the Council was that we should carry on its maintenance.

Councillor Taylor will have a proper land search on the area before the Council make a firm decision.

1006/13 **PROJECT LIST**

New Community Centre – The Clerk has sent the expression of interest form to Nikki Mills from Cornwall Rural Community Council and has set up a meeting for 7th July. Peter Hume of Pearl Design met with the Community Centre steering group on 7th June and Amy Walker from Community Energy Plus on the 18th. Mr Hume has sent the Council has received a quotation for his services, £4500 + vat for amended drawings and submission for planning approval Plus £7500 + vat for construction drawings and submission of building regulations. Councillor Heyward proposed we proceed with Mr Hume’s services, Councillor Gill, the council agreed and so it was RESOLVED.

1006/14 **TOWN CLERKS REPORT**

Cornwall Neighbourhood for Change will be working in Landreath Place and Polgrean during the coming month to discuss access and barriers.

The Clerk has sent the expression of interest form to Nikki Mills from Cornwall Rural Community Council and has set up a meeting for 7th July.

The Clerk and the Chair had both attended the CC Planning Forum which they both found very informative; the Clerk has information regarding affordable housing, off-site contribution and other planning data available in the office.

1006/15 **PLANNING MATTERS**

There have been four planning applications received. It was RESOLVED to not object to any of them.

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| 10/00512 | Full Planning/Change of use
Use of land as temporary adventure/games zone for 12 th June to 1 st September 2010
Stadium Retail Park, Par Moor Road
St Blazey |
| 10/00646 | Full Planning
Installation of moveable metal storage containers.
Powell Craft, Latham Park, St Blazey Road
St Blazey |
| 10/00659 | Full Planning
Conservatory
11 Sea View Terrace
St Blazey |

10/00755 Full Planning (Lifting/Alternative Condition)
Lifting of condition 3, of 03/00341, residential accommodation for elderly parents.
Pico Ville, The Mount, Nevada Villas
St Blazey

Planning Application results received.

10/00598 Renewal of Temp Permission Major
Car boot sale on Sundays only
Westland, Biscovey Farm
WITHDRAWN

10/00441 Full Planning – Off road parking bay
23 Doubletrees.
PERMISSION REFUSED

10/00259 Full Planning – Demolition of outbuildings
Construction of new premises for uses A3 and A5 and improvements to enable multi purpose use.
Old Methodist Sunday School
Station Road
WITHDRAWN

1006/16 ALEXANDER HALL

Cornwall's out and about service, the portable "One Stop Shop", will be at Alexander Hall Tuesday mornings from 17th August 2010. 9.30am to 12.00 noon.

1006/17 ACCOUNTS

Income		Expenditure	
Hall Bookings	1027.50	Insurance	1972.66
Interest	3.52 05/10	SWW	43.50
WPD	10.67	Electricity	45.00
		HMRC	267.70
		Council Tax	78.00
		CC (pen)	327.41
		Broadband	39.12
		Cleaner	
		Clerks Sal	974.03
		Fourways	200.00
		SLCC publication	4.00
		BFS	62.50
		Burrows Fencing	300.00
		Chubb Security	46.48
		Parish Online	105.75
		Travel	142.90
		Burrows	59.03

A/H	14.96
Cleaning Materials	2.80
Stationery	4.58
Burrows Grass Cut	130.00
Audit Commission	470.00

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The council RESOLVED to accept the accounts submitted.

Councillor Miller informed the Council that the high interest deposit would mature on 1st July, the Council Resolved to roll the investment for a further 3 months.

1006/18 **TOWN BUSINESS**

Councillors Goddard had been approached by residents regarding the over growth around Alexander Hall, the Clerk has reported this repeatedly.

1006/19 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be 29th July 2010 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.36pm.